be deducted from any upfront payments or down payments that the withdrawing bidder has deposited with the Commission.

(c) Default or disqualification after close of auction. See §1.2104 (g)(2) of this chapter.

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§ 90.806 Bidding application (FC Form 175 and 175-S Short-form).

All applicants to participate in competitive bidding for 900 MHz SMR licenses must submit applications on FCC Forms 175 and 175-S pursuant to the provisions of §1.2105 of this chapter. The Wireless Telecommunications Bureau will issue a Public Notice announcing the availability of 900 MHz SMR licenses and, in the event that mutually exclusive applications are filed, the date of the auction for those licenses. This Public Notice also will specify the date on or before which applicants intending to participate in a 900 MHz SMR auction must file their applications in order to be eligible for that auction, and it will contain information necessary for completion of the application as well as other important information such as the materials which must accompany the Forms, any filing fee that must accompany the application or any upfront payment that will need to be submitted, and the location where the application must be filed. In addition to identifying its status as a small business or rural telephone company, each applicant must indicate whether it is a minorityowned entity, as defined in §90.814(g) and/or a women-owned entity.

§ 90.807 Submission of upfront payments and down payments.

(a) Each bidder in the 900 MHz SMR auction will be required to submit an upfront payment of \$0.02 per MHz per pop, for the maximum number of licenses (in terms of MHz-pops) on which it intends to bid pursuant to §1.2106 of this chapter and procedures specified by Public Notice.

(b) Each winning bidder in the 900 MHz SMR auction shall make a down payment to the Commission in an amount sufficient to bring its total deposits up to 20 percent of its winning

bid within five business days after the auction closes, and the remaining balance due on the license shall be paid within five business days after Public Notice announcing that the Commission is prepared to award the license. The grant of the application required by \$90.808 is conditional upon receipt of full payment, except for small businesses that are winning bidders, which are governed by \$90.811. The Commission generally will grant the license within ten (10) business days after the receipt of the remaining balance due on the license.

§ 90.808 Long-form applications.

Each winning bidder will be required to submit a long-form application on FCC Form 600 within ten (10) business days after being notified by Public Notice that it is the winning bidder. Applications on FCC Form 600 shall be submitted pursuant to the procedures set forth in 90.119 and any associated Public Notices. Only auction winners (and rural telephone companies and incumbent 900 MHz SMR licensees seeking partitioned licenses pursuant to agreements with auction winners under §90.813) will be eligible to file applications on FCC Form 600 for initial 900 MHz SMR licenses in the event of mutual exclusivity between applicants filing Form 175.

§ 90.809 License grant, denial, default, and disqualification.

- (a) A bidder who withdraws its bid subsequent to the close of bidding, defaults on a payment due, or is disqualified, will be subject to the payments specified in §90.805 or §1.2109 of this chapter, as applicable.
- (b) MTA licenses pursued through competitive bidding procedures will be granted pursuant to the requirements specified in § 90.166.

§ 90.810 Bidding credits for small businesses.

(a) A winning bidder that qualifies as a small business or a consortium of small businesses, (as defined in §90.814(b)(1)(i) may use a bidding credit of 15 percent to lower the cost of its winning bid on any of the blocks identified in §90.617(d), table 4B. A winning